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## **BELTON WOMAN INDICTED FOR ATTEMPTING TO MANUFACTURE METH**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced today that a Belton, Mo., woman was indicted by a federal grand jury for attempting to manufacture methamphetamine.

**Stacey Jo Montgomery**, 30, of Belton, was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Dec. 15, 2004, in Kansas City.

The federal indictment alleges that **Montgomery**, aiding and abetting others, attempted to manufacture 50 grams or more of methamphetamine on Oct. 15, 2004. The specific amount ranged between 150 and 500 grams of methamphetamine, the indictment alleges.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment is simply an accusation, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Catherine Connelly. It was investigated by the Kansas City Metro Meth Task Force and the Belton, Mo., Police Department.

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